

The Bethel News.

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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1905.

PRICE THREE CENTS.

Spring Dress Goods

We are showing several new lines of Spring Goods in novelties and plain colors, in wool goods and linen, satine, crepes, taffetas and cotton covert in the wash goods. These are some of the newest weaves for Shirt Waist Suits and separate Waists and Skirts. There are a great many browns this season.

ONE LOT novelty goods in browns, greens, blues, reds and blacks, several mixtures, good weight for skirts, 36 inches wide, 50 cents.

ONE LOT brilliantine in brown, blue and black, 46 inches wide; these and the kindred weaves are to be much used this season, 50 cents.

ONE LOT novelty mixed brilliantine, very neat for Shirt Waist Suits, 36 inches wide, 50 cents.

ONE LOT melange, brown and gray mixed, 44 inches wide, high luster, good weight, 75 cts.

OTHER PRETTY WEAVES at 87 1-2c, \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

ONE LOT cotton wash goods; this includes sateen, crepe, taffeta, knicker suiting and other weaves, all colors, 30 inches wide, 12 1-2 cents.

ONE LOT linen suiting in pretty mixtures, for Shirt Waist Suits and Skirts; this is a good heavy linen in black and white, blues and white and others, 30 inches wide, 33 cents.

ONE LOT of fine gingham, all colors, dark and light, stripes and checks, fast colors, 10 cts.

Suit Department

We still have many extra good values here in Coats, Suits, Capes or Skirts.

ONE LOT capes, these are useful the whole year, of black kersey, sateen lined, good length, high collar, was \$5.00, now \$2.50

ONE LOT Capes of fine black kersey, very full and long, silk mixture lined, high collar, was \$10.00, now \$5.00

We still have a few suits that we are selling at half-price. Also some good values in separate black skirts, all marked down.

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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Concert at Odeon hall March 15.
W. J. Wheeler of South Paris, was in town this week.

Mrs. C. D. Atherton was quite ill the first of the week.

Miss Norton went to Lewiston Friday returning Monday.

Mr. Gale Carter was down from New Meadows, N. H., to spend Sunday.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. J. M. Philbrook Thursday afternoon.

Miss Bertha Williams of Kennebunk is employed as stenographer at the News office.

Miss E. E. Burnham is able to return to her work in the Savings bank after a week's illness.

Mrs. O. D. Clough has so far recovered from her recent illness as to attend to her household duties.

Miss Helen Roberts of Hanover, is visiting her aunts, Mrs. D. S. Hastings and Mrs. Bartlett for a few days.

Mrs. Churchill who has been with her daughter, Mrs. Fannie Bisbee, for the past two weeks, has returned to Paris.

Mrs. G. F. Bartlett and daughter Stella, accompanied by Mrs. Bartlett's brother, Mr. G. Roberts of Hanover, were in Portland, Saturday.

Mr. Walter B. Yates was in town Saturday enroute from Portland, where he has just finished a course in Gray's Business College, to his home in Milan, N. H.

Mrs. Ward and Miss Ethel Randall went to Lewiston Saturday, to visit Miss Eva Randall who is receiving treatment at the Central Maine General Hospital.

Mrs. Abner West has returned to Norway with her sister, Mrs. S. F. Stearns, and will soon return to her home in Norfolk, Va.

The rural free delivery carriers have received notice from the Post-office department that they are not required to serve on their routes on Washington's birthday.

Mrs. H. H. Bean went to Lewiston Saturday, to visit her son Chester who is in the hospital and is reported as recovering favorably from an operation for appendicitis.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. L. T. Barker next Tuesday afternoon and will be observed as Frances Willard Memorial day. A cordial invitation is extended to all ladies.

The Bethel Athletic Association will give a masquerade ball in Odeon hall on Thursday evening, March 2. Get your faces and other necessary equipment and get ready for a good time.

Mr. Linnell and son Ray of Magalloway, were in town the first of the week, en route to Portland, where Ray will be treated at the hospital for a severe strain of the cords of the neck occasioned by lifting.

The managers of the Home for Aged Women of Oxford county are planning for a Fair to be held in the Opera House, Norway, some time next October. It is hoped that all will keep this in mind and work together to make the event a profitable one for the "Home."

The friends of Miss Edith C. Farwell will be pleased to know that she is convalescing from an operation for appendicitis at the residence of Mrs. Alice Farwell on Chapman street, Dr. King of Portland, as surgeon with Drs. Gehring and Wight in attendance. Miss Harger, an efficient trained nurse from Portland has been in charge of the sick room and the case has been handled in a very successful manner throughout. The mother and brother of Miss Farwell have been with her during her critical illness.

Free social, February 23.

Mr. R. F. Tufts of South Paris, spent Sunday with friends in town. Mrs. Walter Foster and baby daughter visited at Mr. Eli Stearns' Saturday.

Miss Florence Skillings spent a part of last week with her aunt, Mrs. F. L. Edwards.

Mr. Abel Bacon of West Paris visited his sister, Mrs. Olive Young and nephew, E. H. Young, last week.

Miss Alice Wight of Gorham, N. H., and Miss Rena Goud of Dunsmuir, N. H., were guests of relatives in town last week.

Answers have come from the old students of Dr. True a long distance, one from Virginia written by Mrs. Maria H. Forbes, eighty-seven years old, and she writes that the name of Bethel, is still dear to her.

Mr. Cleve Bartlett who has been employed at The Howard for the past year, has given up his situation and will go to Massachusetts where he will study electrical engineering. Mr. Jack Carter takes his place at The Howard.

If you miss anything from the News this week, please don't mention it. Owing to a tremendous demand upon us in all departments we are compelled to make all suffer just a bit. Matter which otherwise would have been published has necessarily been crowded out.

Robert C. Bisbee arrived in Bethel Monday afternoon, after having spent four months in the sugar refinery of Leon Godchaux Co., Raceland, La. He returned via Washington, New York, Boston and Brunswick spending a little time at each place. On the return trip he saw the first snow at Chattanooga, Tenn. He enjoyed the work which was mostly in the chemical laboratory and announces his intention to return another season.

In another part of this paper will be shown the annual statement of several of the companies represented by the Oxford County Insurance Agency at Norway, Me., by Free-land Howe. He not only represents twenty of the leading fire insurance companies which insure all classes of property including farm buildings but the Mutual Life the largest financial institution in the world and the Traveler the pioneer accident company and the Fidelity and Casualty Companies and liability insurance of all kinds.

Samuel L. Holt of Boston, son of the late Samuel Holt of Bethel, died very suddenly at his home in Boston Sunday night. Mr. Holt was a master machinist, and in the course of an extensive business as outfitter and furnisher of electrical and other machinery, made a large circle of friends throughout the East. Sympathy is extended to his wife and daughter, also to the other relatives of which there are two sisters, Mrs. O. D. Clough, and Miss Vira Holt, and brother, Mr. Edmund Holt residing in Bethel, and S. A. Holt of Hudson, Mass.

The Lecture of Wednesday Evening.
The first lecture of the "Course" under the auspices of the Epworth League, will be delivered to-night at the auditorium of the M. E. church. Rev. Howard A. Clifford, the speaker, will surely please and interest the audience which may be privileged to hear him. We are informed that his descriptions of cathedrals, paintings, etc., are especially fine. He has travelled largely and is a man of broad education. For some years he was a teacher in the schools of the South. His humor is of a superior and pleasing kind. A chorus choir will render selections preceding the lecture.

Single admission 25 cents. Students 15 cents. Music 7:30. Lecture 7:50.

To Cure A Cold In One Day.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Gould's Academy Fair.

The students of Gould's Academy gave their fair and entertainment, which has become an annual event, at Garland Chapel last Thursday afternoon and evening. The various booths usually in evidence on such an occasion told of busy fingers and ready assistance in the preparation for the event, while a generous patronage and consequently a nice sum to add to the improvement and equipment treasury told of the many loyal friends of the school.

A supper was served to over 150 people following which was an excellent entertainment of which but one criticism could be made, namely, that they did not charge enough, was given and fully appreciated and enjoyed by all who could conveniently be seated between the four walls of the chapel. The program opened by a selection by the school orchestra consisting of Misses Norton and King and Messrs. Frank and George King. They never fail to please and this was no exception. A hearty encore followed each selection.

One pleasing feature of the entertainment was a song recital. The origin of each selection was read by Miss Mabel Gleason following which the selection was either read or sung. Among these selection were "The Star Spangled Banner"; "Battle Hymn of the Republic"; "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground" was sung by a large chorus; "Maryland, My Maryland"; "The Blue and the Gray"; "Home Sweet Home," by the chorus; and "Ben Bolt," sung as a solo by Miss Florence Mercer. Miss Elsie Hall served as accompanist for all the musical selections. A laughable farce entitled "A Love of a Bonnet," was one of the pleasing features of the program.

About \$140 was realized as the net proceeds of the fair and entertainment. This money will be expended by a joint committee of teachers and students for such needs of the school as will seem to be of most value to the school as a whole. As usual a generous share will be spent in making additions to the reference library, while a portion will be used for school-room decoration. The hearty thanks of teachers and students are extended to the many friends whose cordial cooperation helped to make this the most successful Fair thus far held by the students.

Resolutions of Respect.

MASONIC HALL,
Bethel, Me., Feb. 5, 1905.

Once more the unwelcome messenger of Death has entered our citadel, and called away one of the officers of our Lodge in the morning of life, our brother, George E. Ryerson has been summoned to that land unseen, except by the eye of faith, and we are left to mourn his loss.

Our brother was one of our active and useful members, and it is with profound sorrow that we record his early death. Therefore be it

Resolved: That while we bow submissively to the will of the Grand Master of the Universe, we nevertheless keenly feel our loss, and greatly miss from our fraternal circle, his pleasant greetings and cheerful, smiling face.

Resolved: That with a copy of these resolutions, we extend to his near friends, and especially to his bereaved mother, our kind regards, and fraternal sympathy.

Resolved: That these resolutions be spread on our records, and published in The Bethel News.

J. H. Barrows, } Committee
H. C. Rowe, } on
D. G. Lovejoy, } Resolutions.

Proven—"If you steal—I don't care what—you'll repent it some day."

Bahl "Didn't you ever steal a kiss?"

"Yes, and I married the girl, by gum!"

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column, at eight cents per line, reckoning seven words to the line.

I saw it among the Business Pointers.

Miss Hall still has those 5 cent packages of stationery. Call for yours before they are gone.

If you have any wood to sell, green or dry, inquire at the News office.

Miss L. C. Hall calls your attention to her large supply of toilet soaps. She has a good quality at 5 cents per cake. Others at higher prices.

Prof. Wight in Aroostook.

Prof. W. S. Wight who is holding singing classes in Presque Isle and adjoining towns, is having fine success. The following clipping from the Forest Ave. items of The Independent printed at Presque Isle shows what he is doing there.

The singing class which is being conducted by W. S. Wight of Bethel at the vestry of the Free Baptist church has more than doubled its numbers and a great deal of interest and enthusiasm is being manifested. Prof. Wight has for years been a very competent teacher and his unusual willingness to do individual work when especially needed, also his deep concern for the advancement of his pupils at once wins for him many friends.

Mr. Wight closes at Presque Isle Feb. 28 holding a big County Festival with a chorus of over 200 voices in Perry's Theatre, a new building seating over 1000 people. A special train will be run from Caribou, and Churchill's Orchestra, Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club of fifteen pieces from that place will assist the chorus. The instructor of music in the normal school and other fine talent will also render assistance.

Cupid's Carnival.

Cupid held high carnival at the chapel of the Universalist church last evening. The little god of Love was present in person and added not a little to the spirit and enjoyment of the entertainment. All the numbers were well received. The following program tells the story:

PROGRAM.
Overture, School Orchestra
Original Article—Origin of St. Valentine's Day, Mrs. G. F. Bartlett
Piano Duet, Miss King and Miss Hall
Excerpt from Dickens, Sam Weller—W. F. Kendall
Sam Weller, Sr.—E. C. Park
Maid—Agnes Hutchins.
Vocal Solo—"Merrily I Roam," Miss Helen Roberts
Tableaux—Cupid Whispers, Love Awakens, Cupid Regards not Age, Cupid in the Park, Cupid's Vacation.
Vocal Solo—"Twilight in the Park," Miss Phemie Dorr
Reading—"The Two Valentines," Mrs. Vandekerckhoven
Vocal Solo—"O Promise Me," Mrs. E. S. Kilborn

The chapel was filled to overflowing and a nice party of young people remained to the social of seven numbers which closed the evening. The committee of entertainment wish to thank all who in any way assisted in making this, their first entertainment, the success which they have reason to consider it.

Basket Ball.

Gould's Academy basket ball team won an easy victory last Friday night from the Gorham team at the G. A. gymnasium. It was evident from the first that the Gorham team was a bit out-classed and yet the game was not lacking in interest. The first half stood 12 to 0 in Gould's favor but in the second half Gorham made 4 points while Gould's made 15 leaving a score of 27 to 4 in Gould's favor.

A league was formed at the beginning of the season between Gould's, Gorham and Berlin. Gould's has won from each of the others and lost once to Gorham. They play but one more game, the return with Berlin from whom they have won one game and if they win the next, the pennant for which the teams have been playing, will go to Gould's. The final game of the league will be played next Friday night at Berlin.

Stone Rings

My stock of Stone Rings is larger than I care to carry this season of the year and in order to reduce the stock I will for the next thirty days sell Stone Rings at 25 per cent. reduction or just one quarter off regular prices. This will prove a rare chance to secure a ring at an unusually low price. Every ring warranted solid gold. This sale includes ladies', gentlemen's Children's and babies' rings.

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E. C. Vandekerckhoven,

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PORTSMOUTH, N. H.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904.
Real Estate, \$28,500.00
Mortgage Loans, \$8,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, \$531,131.00
Cash in Office and Bank, \$9,053.23
Agents' Balances, \$4,582.28
Interest and Rents, \$438.30
All other Assets, \$300.63
Gross Assets, \$685,999.44
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$37,053.96
Unearned Premiums, \$34,795.04
All other Liabilities, \$6,186.42
Cash Capital, \$200,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities, \$127,731.42
Total liabilities and surplus, \$685,999.44
FREDLAND HOWE, Agent,
39 Norway, Maine.

Pirating Foley's Honey and Tar.

Foley & Co., Chicago, originated Honey and Tar as a throat and lung remedy, and on account of the great merit and popularity of Foley's Honey and Tar many imitations are offered for the genuine. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered as no other preparation will give the same satisfaction. It is mildly laxative. It contains no opiates and is safest for children and delicate persons. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

Washington's Birthday Postponed.

A Washington's Birthday, or Colonial Social will be given at Garland chapel on the evening of Feb. 23.

An interesting program is in preparation. There will be charades, music, readings, the hatchet very much in evidence and a prize Washington pie match.

As many as will are requested to come in Colonial Costume, the prize to be given to the finest appearing couple on the march.

NORTH NEWRY.

Fritz Vail, who is attending Gould's Academy spent Sunday with his mother Mrs. Alice Vail.

Mrs. John Mention and little daughter Hazel have gone to Cumberland to visit her parents.

F. E. Monroe who has been working for M. L. Thurston at Andover is at home for a few days.

Flossie Stearns is still very low. Dr. Sturdivant was called to consult with the attending physician Dr. J. A. Twaddle.

We are sorry to hear Mrs. A. F. Brooks is no better.

The announcement of the coming of the 1905 State Fair in the second week of September arouses a host of pleasant anticipations.

A Safe Remedy for Headaches

Readfield Corner, Me., April 7, 1904.

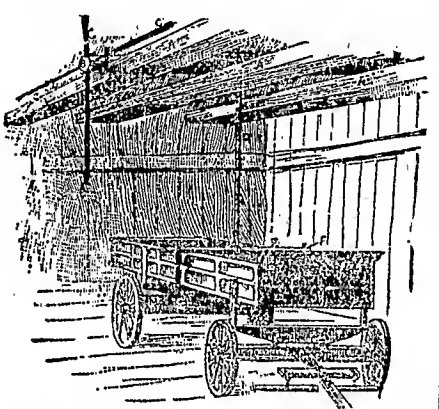
Dear Sirs:—
I have been troubled with headache and a pain in my side for about three years. I commenced to take your Bitters about one month ago. I feel like a new woman and I owe it all to your medicine. I don't feel that I can say enough in its praise.

MRS. EDITH A. INGHAM.

There's always a cause for headache. Usually in the digestive organs. Healthy bowel action the only safe cure. "L. F." Atwood's Bitters make healthy bowels.

Apparatus for Lifting a Wagon Body.

To lift a heavy wagon-body from its truck is tedious work, if to be done by main force only. The use of pulleys facilitates the operation materially, but not so much as the apparatus shown in our illustration. It is simple, very convenient, and may be easily made by any farmer handy with tools. B, in the engraving, is a wooden roller about three inches in diameter, and resting on the joists, A, which are over the wagon in its shed. D is a rope which winds around the roller, and is fastened at its lower end to the cross-piece, E. Through each end of the cross-piece passes a half-inch, round iron rod, F, with bar on top of E. The lower ends terminate with square bends of three inches, which hook under the box, and when turned half round will slip off of it, and may be hoisted up and



put out of the way. The handles, C, are four feet long and are mortised into the roller. A man or boy standing on the ground can, turn the handles with ease, and raise the box from its bed in half the time four men could do it by hand.

Cabbage After Early Potatoes.

To get a good crop of cabbage after early potatoes, it is only necessary to have good strong healthy plants to commence with. To obtain such, sow the seed in drills, not less than one foot apart, and thinly in the row, the last week of May or the first week in June. One ounce of seed will produce 2,000 plants, and if properly cultivated on good soil will produce the best plants in thirty days or by July first. After digging, the potato patch should be freshly plowed, and the soil thoroughly pulverized. My plan is then to open furrows four feet apart and apply five hundred pounds of some good fertilizer per acre in these rows, covering with a corn coverer, and set the plants three feet apart on these ridges. Cover them deeply, even if the leaves are partly covered. Should the soil be dry or a dry spell be likely to follow, tramp around each plant after setting. It is best to lift the plants with a digging fork rather than pull them from the seed bed, especially if at all dry.

SHEEP BREEDERS' NOTES.

Play shy of a sheep that "wobbles" as he walks; he has been overfed and is nothing less than a foundered and useless animal.

Don't attempt to wean your lambs on a dry burnt-up pasture. Nothing affords a more favorable weaning ground for the lamb than the rape field or second growth clover.

Among the most important factors in the successful feeding of show sheep are regularity in feeding, regular and gentle exercise, and abundant supply of succulent rations and the avoidance of excessively heating foods.

Give Your Stomach a Rest.

Your food must be properly digested and assimilated to be of any value to you. If your stomach is weak or diseased take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat and gives the stomach a rest, enabling it to recuperate, take on new life and grow strong again. Kodol cures sour stomach, gas, bloating, heart palpitation and all digestive disorders. L. A. Soper of Little Rock, Ky., writes us: "We feel that Kodol Dyspepsia Cure deserves all the commendation that can be given it, as it saved the life of our little girl when she was three years old. She is now six and we have kept it for her constantly, but of course she only takes it now when anything disagrees with her." Sold by G. R. Wiley, D.W.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure
Digests what you eat.

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PARIS, MAINE.

The Old Red School-house.

If your parents used to send you to private school, it's no use to read Eugene Wood's reminiscences of "The Old Red School-house" published in the February McClure's.

But if you have memories of a good old country school, where they used McGuffey's Speller, and had choose-up-and-spell down on Fridays, where you ate such delicious pie at nooning (by crowding the sharp end into your face) and real apples, and washed the girls' faces in the snow, and didn't have to file into the school room in decorous lock-step but just whooped and hollered and carried on—why, this article will certainly bring you a smile and a sigh.

It starts out with a song by the male quartet; can't you hear it?

"Oh, the little old red school-house on the hill,"

(2d bass: On the hill)

Oh, the little old red school-house on the hill,

(2d bass: On the hi-hi-hi-yall)

And my heart with joy o'erflows,

Like the dew drop in the rose,

Thinking of the old red SCHOOL-
HOUSE o-o-on the hill,

(2d tenor and 1st bass:

The hill, the hill.)

If you need anything more to take you back, there are a number of delightful oldtime illustrations by A. B. Frost.

That Ticking in the Throat.

One minute after taking One Minute Cough Cure that tickling in the throat is gone. It acts in the throat—not the stomach. Harmless—good for children. A. L. Spoford, postmaster at Chester, Mich., says: "Our little girl was unconscious from strangulation during a sudden and terrible attack of croup. Three doses of One Minute Cough Cure half an hour apart speedily cured her. I cannot praise One Minute Cure too much for what it has done in our family." It always gives relief. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

Yanking Habit.

One afternoon a smartly gowned woman came down the steps of a fashionable New York apartment house, leading a child by the hand. She was evidently in a hurry, and her quick, long strides made a mighty pace for the tiny feet, which finally lost the power to take any steps at all. The woman, unwilling to be delayed by the child, hurried on, dragging the little one after her, deaf to the protesting wail that came from under the big hat atop the little figure at her side. On she went, anxious, no doubt, to make up time lost in hunting a misplaced hatpin, in lingering for a final word of gossip, or a long-drawn-out goodbye—one of the hundred little delays that make women always in a hurry and never on time.

The people she met paid no heed. If one or two turned and gave a passing look to the pair, it was merely to wonder absently why the child cried. But from across the street the driver of a coal cart, busy unloading coal into a hole in the sidewalk, caught sight of the woman, and with a brief exclamation intended for no one in particular, ran after her, calling loudly: "Madam, if you don't pick up that child, I'll call a policeman. You'd ought to be ashamed to treat a baby worse'n you would a bull pup."

At first the mother paid no attention to the man, unless inwardly to resent his interference. But as he repeated his threat she stopped, impatiently set the child on his feet, wiped his tears away, scolded him a little for crying, then went on at a pace the baby legs could keep, while the driver turned back to his cart, muttering: "If I'd struck one of them horses there'd a been a dozen women's heads o' it of windows yelling at me to stop, but they'd let another woman yank the arm clean out of a baby's body and never say a word."

Deserved Popularity.

To cure Constipation and Liver troubles by gently moving the bowels and acting as a tonic to the liver, take Little Early Risers. These Famous Little Pills are mild, pleasant and harmless, but effective and sure. Their universal use for many years is a strong guarantee of their popularity and usefulness. Sold by G. R. Wiley, D.W.

SEED TIME

The experienced farmer has learned that some grains require far different soil than others; some crops need different handling than others. He knows that a great deal depends upon right planting at the right time, and that the soil must be kept enriched. No use of complaining in summer about a mistake made in the spring. Decide before the seed is planted.

The best time to remedy wasting conditions in the human body is before the evil is too deep rooted. At the first evidence of loss of flesh

Scott's Emulsion should be taken immediately. There is nothing that will repair wasted tissue more quickly or replace lost flesh more abundantly than Scott's Emulsion. It nourishes and builds up the body when ordinary foods absolutely fail.

We will send you a sample free.



Be sure that this picture in the form of a label is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy.
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Perfect Confidence.

Where there used to be a feeling of uneasiness and worry in the household when a child showed symptoms of croup, there is now perfect confidence. This is owing to the uniform success of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the treatment of that disease. Mrs. M. I. Basford of Poolesville, Md., in speaking of her experience in the use of that remedy says: "I have a world of confidence in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for I have used it with perfect success. My child Garland is subject to severe attacks of croup and it always gives him prompt relief."

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

Winter Apples—Late Pears—How and When to Prune Them.

Many fruit growers find, when their orchards come into bearing, that they have planted too many varieties which ripen at the same time. It is a mistake to set many new varieties in an orchard planted for profit. There are enough of well-tested marketable kinds. Any experimental planting should be done on a small scale. A large number of kinds, ripening at the same period, will result in having numerous small lots. At first there will not be enough of some kinds to fill a barrel; two kinds should never be mixed in one barrel, and these fruits must be used at home. For late apples we may have varieties of the colors, red, yellow and green. The retailer knows that the color of a fruit affects its sale. In gathering apples, pick and handle them gently.

There are but few late pears that are profitable, because the public are not acquainted with the Anjou, Clairgeau, and a few others. Carefully selected and packed in boxes holding but a single layer, these may often be profitably disposed of at the confectionery and the fancy fruit stores.

If orchard trees have been properly cared for from the first, there will be but little pruning needed, and it matters not much at what time it is done. Grapevines, currants and gooseberries may be pruned soon after the leaves have fallen. Blackberries and raspberries should be pruned by cutting out the old canes as soon as the fruit is gathered.

Wise Paul.
Paul Revere had just made his famous ride.
"I'm so glad I didn't use an automobile," he related.
"Why not?" asked the friend.
"I would have been arrested for fast riding."

Strong.
"Young man," whispered the old spellbinder, "there are some things about this campaign that will take your breath away."
"You don't say!" responded the young man. "Are you alluding to the campaign cigar?"

RHUBARB CULTIVATION.

Full Directions How to Plant, Care for and Prepare for Market.

The first requisite for starting a plant bed is to select a good variety. There are a number that can be raised from the seed, but, unfortunately, none are to be relied upon to reproduce their own except Mayatt's Victoria. Hence the safest method lies in obtaining plants grown from the seed, and result in just what is wanted. It is preferable that they be placed, if possible, on ground having a southern exposure and slope sufficient to insure good natural drainage. This should be well forked or plowed and thoroughly leveled and pulverized. Laid off, then, in furrows five feet apart, the plants should be set three or four feet from one another in the rows, and, if the soil lacks in humus, it should be mixed with well-rotted compost half and half, to fill in about the roots. Plants having one, two or three buds to the clump give the best results, especially if the roots are set perpendicular, with the crown one or two inches below the level of the surface. Never put any fresh stable manure next to the roots, but rather the compost and soil mixed half and half, which firm down thoroughly, so as to leave no air spaces. If the land is deficient in general fertility, a good dressing of fresh manure, either from the horse or cow barn, will do no harm, however, neither to the soil nor plants; the fact is, if cultivated at once into the ground, it may be spread over the entire surface. Rhubarb, in growing, demands a liberal supply of moisture, and as the small-toothed cultivator, when properly and regularly used at intervals of six to eight days, is the best conservator of soil water known, this implement requires to be kept going up to the first or middle of August. Provided the rhubarb does well, the hills will need to be divided the third year from its planting. This is best accomplished by removing the soil, twelve or fifteen inches deep, on one side of the hill, and cutting the crown through with a sharp spade, so as to enable the surplus portion to be easily lifted out and leave the part intended to remain perfectly undisturbed. What is removed can be separated and reset, if desired. Moreover, every other year, any time after cold weather has come to stay, a covering of fresh stable manure, absolutely free from grass or weed seed, should be spread along the rows, and, as early in spring as the nature of the ground will permit, worked into the soil, the surface being stirred again through the summer the same as it was the season the plants were first set. Even though there is only a small patch of rhubarb cultivated for family use at home, it will pay to much it with coarse manure and thoroughly cultivate it. Such a protection, thick enough so the weeds cannot get through it, makes the soil damp, cool and rich, and results in the stalks growing to immense size and remaining tender nearly all the season. Certainly will this hold true if the crop is rightly gathered, and none of the plants are allowed to go to seed. Naturally, the stalks that are the largest or have nearly attained full development are the most noticeable by reason of their mature appearance, smoothness and dull color of the leaf, whereas the growing ones look red and vigorous, and the leaves are small and rumpled. The point is to distinguish between these and remove the "ripest" stalks, so as to hurt the plants as little as possible. Each hill has several buds from which the leaves grow out as the season advances, and unless the proper ones are selected to pull, the plants are apt to be seriously injured, if not killed. A straight, quick pull performs the operation best, and by no means should more than a very few leaves be taken from a plant, however vigorous it may be, in one week. But it is imperative that all the blossom stems be plucked out or cut off close to the ground as soon as seen. Where rhubarb is raised on a large scale, it is in truth, quite an art to prepare it properly for market. The stalks, as fast as gathered, should be placed in small heaps, all pointed in one direction, to simplify their being gathered into baskets or boxes, or into carts. Taken thence to some shady spot, they should be laid on an improvised table of boards and boxes, where the hulls can be conveniently removed, and, if intended for local markets, the adhering soil or filth washed off. It will not do to apply water if the product is to be shipped however, as that remaining on the stalks would then be detrimental to them; simply flicking the foreign matter off with a brush or small broom is much better and will suffice, instead. In bunching, the stalks should be averaged up as much as possible by putting the large and small together. Three stalks, or four if small, tied around the butts with ordinary twine, constitute a bunch, and twelve bunches, tied around at both the butts and tops, a bundle. The leaves may be removed or left on, as one's market demands, and for shipment the bunches packed in boxes, crates or barrels. Thus put up, rhubarb will find a ready sale in the generality of places, for it is not only a healthy eatable, but, when the improved sorts are grown and they are well cultivated, it is exceedingly palatable.—Agricultural Epitomist.

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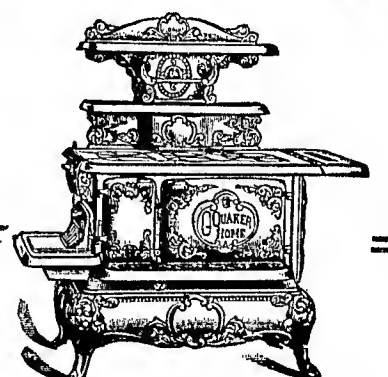
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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 15, 1905.

STATE HOUSE TALK.

The sixth week of the seventy-second Legislature and the first half of the session is over and a very busy, exciting second half is commencing. Bustle and sensation are the order of the committee dockets. There are the breezy searchings and probings into the affairs of Mr. Clarence Burleigh, State Printer, the labor hearing on the eight hour bill, with Mr. Harriman's expose of conditions in the lime-stone quarries at Rockland, and Gov. Cobb's flat denial of Harriman's charges; the conclusion of the public airings of county salaries; Resubmission and the new draft of the drastic Sturgis bill for a liquor enforcement commission; the matter of referendum and initiative power vested in the people; and the usual rush of routine which marks the beginning of the last half of the session. The lecture on the brown-tail moth, and the moving pictures and musical entertainment by the blind were the only features which relieved an eventful, tempest-tossed week.

Mr. Manley's death hushed the affairs of the State at the beginning of the week. Business had barely begun Tuesday morning after the legislative recess when the rumor of death reached the State House. As rumor became fact, the full force of the incident fell upon all, and both branches adjourned out of reverence for the memory of a life-long leader, a controller of Maine men and Maine measures; an authority on Parliamentary matters, an astute and able predictor of state and national politics, a friend with hosts of friends, a powerful man recognized and respected for his power by his political antagonists. Great in life, Mr. Manley met with a simple death and a simple funeral. His companions and friends and fellow citizens, as well as legislative delegates, gathered at the historic Manley mansion Friday afternoon to render their last respects to a man proud of his city and fully devoted to his State.

The resubmission hearing was invested with marked interest as usual, to be followed a week later by the discussion of the Sturgis commission bill. The temperance committee will not report the resubmission bill till the last of the week.

This is the fourth session that the matter of resubmission has come before the Maine Legislature. It was first introduced in the Legislature of 1895 by John O. Patten of Bath and received the votes of 13 members. There were 114 votes against it and 23 absentees. This overwhelming defeat was followed by silence on the part of the friends of resubmission in the Legislatures of 1897 and 1899. In 1901 the measure again came up and met a similar fate. In 1903 it had much more support, getting a total of 54 votes, 46 in the House and 6 in the Senate, less than a third of the total vote, however. It is the general feeling that the proposition will receive less support, this year, than it did two years ago.

The Sturgis bill is extremely arbitrary and far-reaching in its provisions. It provides not only that one of the commission shall be a lawyer with powers of attorney-general to appear in a Maine county with evidence against alleged liquor sellers to present to the grand jury, but it gives the commission power to remove county attorneys for failing in duty to enforce the law. The sheriffs of four counties are now stu-

tifying and defying the liquor law, whereas this commission, supported as it would be by Gov. Cobb, would end the nullification now so prevalent and would either make prohibition so forceful as to bring about resubmission or make the liquor law more powerful and popular than ever. This bill is heard Wednesday Feb. 15.

The interest and intensity of the week vented itself in the State printing hearing on Wednesday afternoon and evening. Evidence from the various department heads did not show that their reports were padded. Judge Foster is just as bitter and burning as ever, and his caustic sarcasm was the feature of the fun. He probes the printing affair with his usual scrutiny and severity. Beginning in a small way, the business of this committee has assumed magnitude until now perhaps the most important of the session. The newspapers have carried the cry of extravagance to every hill and valley of the State, until thousands of voters feel that State printing matters need overhauling.

Besides the work of this special committee on printing, there is a bill to abolish this office outright to be discussed soon before the legal affairs committee. The discussion will be breezy and spectacular, since Judge Foster will again appear.

The referendum bill proposed by Mayor Cyrus W. Davis of Waterville provides that the legislature shall call a special election if demanded by 15 per cent of the voters; any measure referred to the people and approved by them shall take effect in 10 days; the veto power of the Governor shall not extend to measures initiated by the people; and 8 per cent of the voters may propose to the Legislature a bill (not including an amendment to the Constitution) either by petition or by poster on the official ballot and the measure shall be acted upon during the session, and shall go to a referendum vote unless passed without change. This bill secures sovereignty to the people and a way to block unwise or vicious legislation, and a way to start measures directly from the people at any time, whether during the session, or in the long intervals between the biennial Legislatures. Similar power is vested in the people of Oregon, South Dakota and Switzerland, also San Francisco, Detroit, Buffalo and other cities.

Mr. Davis urged that this law would prevent graft, log-rolling and a third house. "If it had been in vogue during the past 50 years in Maine, we would have our State lands which were sold for a song, one Insane Asylum under one set of expenses instead of two, regulations of railroad laws, abolition of the present fee system, and honest, healthy competition for State printing and binding."

The statement of the public printer for 1904 shows the grand total of \$49,357.13 expended including \$11,000, for revised statutes.

With all these matters of importance and urgency, the committees are constantly taxed to the utmost of their time and energy in preparing various matters for reports to the Senate and House.

Business has shortened the usual recess of from Friday to Tuesday, so that hereafter the bodies will convene Monday afternoon and a Saturday session will be required soon.

Various excursions are being planned, one for the Reform School at Cape Elizabeth and another for the University of Maine; then the Legislative ladies from all over the State are planning to enjoy the Governor's reception given on Washington's birthday at City Hall; so business and recreation go together to make a session that is by no means idle, but fraught with matters that interest all Maine.

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Report of Universalist Circle.

That many far-away members of the Universalist Circle may know what is being done by the home band, the following report of the regular meeting of Jan. 25 is inserted in the Bethel News.

In nineteen five one afternoon, In month so far removed from June, The ladies of our church and clau Assembled as per former plan.

The secretary being late, Cannot the first of all things state; But will now tell—best in her power—How passed the remnant of the hour.

Around Dame Hastings' cheerful grate, Unmindful of the wind and weather, In happy converse there they sate And numbered fourteen altogether.

Mrs. Wiley, dear and sweet, Filled up the chair quite complete And asked what mottoes had been brought.

That we might share each other's thought, One told of man so kindly treated, Though worst of sins he oft repeated, While she, the sister who once felt, Was ever doomed apart to dwell.

Ah! then you should have heard the clatter Each woman mad as any hatter! The very rafters creaked and rattled And once for sure man's sin was battled.

Dame Hastings said her simple creed Was not in ritual but deed; And Mrs. Lord told how each trouble, As we approach it, just looks double.

Then she, whom once we called Joan, Read a long letter from Japan, And soon a gruesome tale she told Of hardy patriot, true and bold.

Next Mrs. Park—herself so square—Told how each person should "play fair," While Mrs. King, in words most winning, Proclaimed "each day a fresh begin-

ning." Dear Mrs. Barton kindly told How grudges leave us when we're old; And Hattie Hall, how neath the stars We soon forget life's frets and jars.

Madames Ames and Swift and Hall Declared they could not quote at all; They could indeed—full well we knew—But passed them by without ado.

Mrs. Philbrook came in late, Just what she quoted I can't state; My thread had tangled in a knot And thus I failed to keep her thought.

Soon our new book was handed out, Which Mrs. Park told all about; And, that we might begin to learn, She read us of the author—Hearn.

Then Mrs. Swift had recollection 'Twas time to gather the collection; And pennies jingled one by one, Till seven and ten made up the sum.

Mrs. Colson strayed in last After all the best was past; On kindly mission she'd been bent And all her good strength nearly spent.

And so the hour had come and gone! Had we not helped each other on? 'Tis pleasant thus to greet and sever, And share our hopes and plans together.

So then and there we did declare We'd meet again, if day were fair, At Mrs. Barton's, and give heed While Mrs. King should for us read.

SOPHIA R. BARTLETT, Secretary.

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MEXICO.

The young people of Swift River gave a night cap social and box supper at the White school house Saturday evening February 11. The inclemency of the weather doubtless prevented many from attending, nevertheless a jolly time is reported by those present. A goodly sum was realized from the sale of the boxes. Mr. W. A. Given was auctioneer and compelled the young men to pay well for the privilege of eating supper with the young ladies of Swift River; some of the boxes selling as high as four dollars and a half. An interesting paper, full of happy hits, was read by Miss Minnie Fuller. Much amusement was furnished by "Miss White," who proved to be none other than Mr. Elton Walker in female apparel. Music and games completed the evening's entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Campbell went to Dixfield Saturday to attend the funeral of Mr. John Coolidge.

Miss Sarah Mason of Bethel and Mr. Thomas Mabury of Bridgton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Mason two days last week.

Mr. Leon Fuller was down from Chapman to attend the box supper Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Given and Miss Delia Kidder attended the Mikado at Rumford Falls last Thursday evening and were much pleased with the entertainment.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. A. K. Goff next Saturday afternoon.

Rev. C. L. Parker, who for the past three years has been pastor of the Congregational church at Mexico, has resigned his pastorate to go to Collinwood, Ohio. His resignation and removal are very much regretted by the citizens of Mexico, but all unite in wishing him prosperity and happiness in his new field of labor.

Fraud Exposed.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell imitations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you to beware of such people, who seek to profit, through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing disease for over 35 years. A sure protection, to you, is our name on the wrapper. Look for it, on all Dr. King's, or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. BUCKLEN & CO., Chicago, Ill., and Windsor, Canada. All druggists.

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LEGISLATIVE NOTICES.

The committee on Judiciary will give a Public hearing in its room at the State House in Augusta, Thursday, Feb. 16, 1905 at 2 o'clock p. m. No. 100. On a resolve in favor of the publication of York Deeds.

FREDERICK HALE, Secretary.

Thursday Feb. 16, 1905. No. 93. An act for the protection of children.

No. 94. An act to repeal Section 51, Chapter 40 of the Revised Statutes relating to forfeiture of wages.

No. 96. An act to amend Chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes relating to the support of persons committed to the insane hospitals.

Committee on Taxation.

The Committee on Taxation will give a public hearing in its room at the State House in Augusta, on Thursday, Feb. 23, 1905 at 2 p. m., on the following bills:

No. 3. An act to amend Section 25 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes relating to the taxation of railroad companies.

No. 6. An act to amend Sections 13 and 124 of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes relating to the mill fund and school tax.

In the Senate Chamber on Tuesday Feb. 21, at 7.30 p. m. on the following bill:

No. 5. An act in relation to the taxation of mortgages on real estate.

On an act to amend Chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the collection of taxes in plantations taxed by wild lands.

A. E. IRVING, Secretary.

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Stocks and Bonds owned by the Company, Market value, 4,279,151.43
Cash in Company's principal office and in bank, 422,351.17
Interest due and accrued, 61,259.01
Premiums in due course of collection, 792,708.34
Other property, 48,159.39
Aggregate of all the admitted assets of the Co. at their actual value, \$8,459,822.07
Liabilities, December 31, 1904.
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims, \$ 400,179.02
Amount required to safely reimburse all outstanding claims, 4,534,138.67
All other demands against the Company, viz: commissions, etc., 419,866.03
Total amount of liabilities, except capital stock and net surplus, \$5,344,183.72
Surplus beyond capital, \$3,090,438.35
Aggregate amount of liabilities, including net surplus, \$8,459,822.07
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Assets, December 31, 1904.
Stocks and Bonds, \$2,182,385.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 174,906.45
Agents' Balances, 245,181.03
Bills Receivable, 27,171.50
Interest and Rents, 12,791.08
Gross Assets, \$2,642,443.06
Deduct items not admitted, 1,359.17
Admitted Assets, \$2,641,083.89
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1904.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 333,661.18
Unearned Premiums, 1,425,202.59
Cash Capital, 500,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities, \$382,219.02
Total liabilities and surplus, \$2,641,083.89
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All the Latest News

Neighbors

"Strive within thyself to win," When strife and worldly care Think! no thoughts of other's sin solve.

Work! Let others praise things you do; If right, what matters it to St. Valentine's day gone.

February is a bleak month. Don't look for the passenger train until the whistle.

Miss Mamie Lapham of Bethel Hill last week father, G. F. Lapham.

Charles P. Saunders from Ketchum Saturday over Sunday at L. D. C.

Mrs. L. Cordelia B. to Portland to spend of the winter with her mother, Mrs. Mabel Davis.

Town meeting draws care should be taken very best men for the important offices.

"The Man in the Moon" gaged in a flirtation with Jupiter last week, kicked breeze, drifting the cru Saturday.

Someone has said, "make fine birds, but it to remember that "Be skin deep, and that "that handsome does."

Grave Trouble For It needs but little force that when your stomach are badly affected, gra ahead, unless you take the cine for your disease, as Young of Clay, N. Y., di

"I had neuralgia of the li ach, my heart was wea could not eat. I was ve long time, but in Elect found just what I need quickly relieved and Best medicine for w Sold under guarantee gists, at 50c. a bottle.

NORTH NORW Measles are prevalent. Asa Needham's moth attended Mrs. Thomas Hanover last Wednesday

Mrs. Belle Hussey rheumatism. Flora Cummings is Mrs. Amos French who

Mr. A. O. Stuart, form town died of cancer la his funeral took place a Sunday.

Minnie (Cox) Haske been so very sick is slo A club called "The Wl been started in the north town with Calvin Abbo dent.

Mr. Fred Hersey, H Wyman and H. Knightly and hauling wood from Wyman lot.

Chas. Frost, Mrs. E. Florence Herrick attend at Bryant's Pond last we

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Mrs. L. Cordelia Bean has gone to Portland to spend the remainder of the winter with her eldest daughter, Mrs. Mabel Davis.

Town meeting draweth near, and care should be taken to select the very best men for the most important offices.

"The Man in the Moon" while engaged in a flirtation with Venus and Jupiter last week, kicked up a heavy breeze, drifting the crusted snow on Saturday.

Someone has said, "Fine feathers make fine birds, but it is well for all to remember that 'Beauty is but skin deep, and that 'Handsome is that handsome does.'"

Grave Trouble Foreseen.

It needs but little foresight, to tell, that when your stomach and liver are badly affected, grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened, and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters, I found just what I needed, for they quickly relieved and cured me." Best medicine for weak women. Sold under guarantee by all druggists, at 50c a bottle.

NORTH NORWAY.

Measles are prevalent.

Asa Needham's mother and wife attended Mrs. Thomas' funeral at Hanover last Wednesday.

Mrs. Belle Hussey is ill with rheumatism.

Flora Cummings is caring for Mrs. Amos French who is very ill.

Mr. A. O. Stuart, formerly of this town died of cancer last week and his funeral took place at the village Sunday.

Minnie (Cox) Haskell who has been so very sick is slowly gaining.

A club called "The Wildwood" has been started in the north part of the town with Calvin Abbott as president.

Mr. Fred Hersey, H. Hobbs, A. Wyman and H. Knightly are cutting and hauling wood from the John Wyman lot.

Chas. Frost, Mrs. E. J. Holt and Florence Herrick attended Pomona at Bryant's Pond last week.

Several schools have been closed on account of the measles.

The mail carrier is sick and Mr. Tucker substitutes for him.

La Grippe and Pneumonia.

Pneumonia often follows La Grippe but never follows the use of Foley's Honey and Tar. It cures la grippe-coughs and prevents pneumonia and consumption. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered. Mr. G. Vacher, of 157 Osgood St., Chicago, writes: "My wife had a severe case of la grippe three years ago, and it left her with a terrible cough. She tried a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and it gave immediate relief. A 50 cent bottle cured her cough entirely." Refuse substitutes. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

Elmer B. Austin is at the Central Maine General Hospital, Lewiston, for treatment.

Mrs. E. B. Lunt who is spending the winter in Montville has gone to the hospital in Belfast for surgical treatment.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George B. Crockett.

Mrs. Nancy A. Mason died suddenly from the effect of a paralytic shock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Granville Abbott, Monday morning. Funeral services were held Wednesday, and were conducted by Rev. I. W. Chesboro.

The men of the Congregational church gave an oyster supper Thursday evening, in the church vestry. The entertainment consisted of readings by Edward Quinn of Portland assisted by Mr. Henderson, soloist, of Portland and Mrs. Cora Briggs, accompanist.

Josiah Horr got his hand against the cutter of an irregular moulder on which he was working at the Paris Mfg. Co.'s factory last week. The two middle fingers had to be amputated at the second joint.

Smith Pingree has returned from a visit to his sister in Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. George Morton are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

As the cars did not run, several of our citizens went in teams to attend the Clerk's ball, last Thursday evening.

Miss Mildred Parlin attended the masquerade ball on Paris Hill, Friday night.

The case of Dr. A. I. Harvey of Lewiston, vs. Capt. F. C. Tribou of South Paris, was tried at Auburn, Wednesday, and the jury awarded \$400 to the plaintiff, D. J. McGilli, attorney for Dr. Harvey, and J. S. Wright and Alton C. Wheeler for Capt. Tribou. This was a case of personal injury sustained by Dr. Harvey, being collided with and knocked down by a team driven by Capt. Tribou near South Paris depot last fall. Capt. Tribou's attorney claimed carelessness on the part of Dr. Harvey in crossing the street and Dr. Harvey claimed fast and reckless driving on Tribou's part. Among the witnesses were Charles Dunham, Nelson G. Elder, Thomas Smiley of Norway, Ed McCordle, Charles Crockett, Ray Tubbs, W. H. Jenne and son, Carl, Wm. J. Wheeler and A. D. Park.

The Knights of Pythias will observe Ladies' night Friday evening, Feb. 18, with a supper furnished by the Good Cheer society in Good Cheer hall. After the supper the Knights and their wives will return to their hall where a choice musical and literary program will be rendered.

The ladies of the Good Cheer society held a Valentine supper Tuesday, Feb. 14. Each guest at supper was presented with a valentine. After supper the entertainment consisted of the Ladies' Snowball Minstrels.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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For children, safe, sure. No opiates.

NORTH ALBANY.

Mrs. Cyrus Alb has been visiting her sons at East Waterford.

Mrs. Edwin Rolf visited friends in Gorham, N. H. a short time ago. The mail inspector was over this route the first of the month.

Mrs. Brown does not improve very much, still remaining on the sick list. Mrs. F. A. Bennett has arrived home.

George Rorfe is sick with appendicitis but we hope he is improving.

HOLLISTER'S Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets. A Busy Medicine for Busy People. Brings Golden Health and Renewed Vigor. A specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Liver and Kidney Troubles, Pimples, Eczema, Impure Blood, Bad Breath, Sluggish Bowels, Headache and Backache. It's Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form, 85 cents a box. Genuine made by HOLLISTER DRUG COMPANY, Madison, Wis. GOLDEN NUGGETS FOR SALLOW PEOPLE.

NORTHWEST BETHEL.

John Dority was down from Gorham, N. H., and spent Sunday with his brother Warren at Seth Mason's.

Loren Trask is looking after his lumbering operations.

L. U. Bartlett recently lost one of his team horses.

R. L. Bennett is getting his pulp wood onto the bank of the river.

J. M. Philbrook was in this place buying cattle recently.

CURES CATARRHAL DEAFNESS.

One Week's Use of Hyomei Did More Than Six Months' Treatment by Specialists.

In the treatment of deafness which is often a result of catarrh Hyomei acts almost immediately upon the inflamed membrane and the hearing begins to return at once. A few days treatment will bring relief, and in three or four weeks, according to the severity of the case, a cure will be accomplished.

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G. R. Wiley is selling Hyomei upon the usual plan of agreeing to return the money if the medicine does not cure.

A complete outfit costs only \$1.00 and consists of an inhaler that can be carried in the vest pocket; a medicine dropper and a bottle of Hyomei. The inhaler will last a lifetime and there is enough Hyomei for several weeks' treatment. Additional bottles of Hyomei can be procured for 50 cents. Compare this small expense with the fees charged by specialists and then remember if Hyomei does not cure G. R. Wiley will return your money.

EAST BETHEL.

Mrs. Carrie Bartlett is taking orders for wall papers from Alfred Peats & Co.

Mrs. Z. McAllister and two sons of Lovell are visiting at Porter Farrell's and other relatives in town.

Cleve Bartlett has finished work at the Howard, and is at home for a week. He goes to South Framingham, Mass., the 18th, where he is to learn electrical engineering.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Swan were called to South Paris, last week, by the death of Mrs. Swan's mother, Mrs. Nancy Mason who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ada Abbott. The burial was at East Bethel cemetery.

Z. W. Bartlett recently sold his horse "High Flyer," new sleigh and harness to Will Sickles.

Poisons in Foods

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in your food, but some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. King's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure a sickness due to poisons of undigested food—or money back, 25c a all druggists.

FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR. For children, safe, sure. No opiates.

HANOVER.

Mr. John L. Dyer of Monmouth is visiting friends in town.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas who has been in poor health for some time died last Wednesday. Interment took place Friday at the Hanover cemetery, Rev. A. D. Colson officiating.

We are sorry to hear that Miss Nora Holt is seriously ill.

Geo. E. Smith, Parker Russell, Ralph, Leslie and Elwood Richardson are attending school at Rumford Point.

Wm. C. Holt has sold his trotting horse Ruby to Herbert Mason.

Mr. Clarence Howe spent Sunday at his home in Hanover.

Mr. O. R. Russell has a number of teams hauling pulp wood to the river bank. He has landed 400 cords already and has about as much more to more.

The village school closed Feb. 3, after a successful term of ten weeks. Una Roberts won the highest rank in composition.

Mr. Mann is in town.

J. E. Russell is on the sick list.

Miss Nora Holt and Arthur Wight have been confined to the house with the prevailing epidemic.

Mrs. Charles Thomas died at her home Feb. 8, aged sixty-nine. She leaves an aged husband and several children besides other relatives. This makes four deaths in the village in two months.

Several new books have been added to the library.

Failed.

All efforts have failed to find a better remedy for coughs, colds and lung troubles than Foley's Honey and Tar. It stops the cough, heals the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold. J. N. Patterson, Nashua, Iowa, writes: "Last winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least half a dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world."

Sold by G. R. Wiley.

NEWRY.

Mrs. Lucretia Bartlett came down from Grafton, last Sunday, where she had been to see Mrs. A. F. Brooks who is dangerously ill.

Mrs. Will McInnis of Milton, with her two children passed through here last Sunday on their way to Grafton to see her mother who has been ill for some time.

Harlan Bartlett and wife visited at A. F. Brooks' last Friday, returning Saturday.

Percy Brinck has moved his family back to North Newry and will work for H. F. Thurston.

Fred Bartlett of Bethel, was at A. H. Powers' last Sunday.

What are They?

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. A new remedy for stomach troubles, biliousness, and constipation, and a good one. Price 25 cents.

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GROVER HILL.

Drifted roads and very stormy weather.

Mrs. Abiah Bennett's condition remains unchanged.

I. A. Paine works in the woods with A. B. Grover this winter.

On account of drifted roads on route No. 4, H. M. Verrill, the carrier, was obliged to make the greater part of the distance on snowshoes Saturday.

Owing to illness at Miss Ruth Bean's home at the commencement of the winter term, her school at the Flat did not close until last Friday.

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The tired-out feelings,
You must reach the spot—get at the cause.

In most cases 'tis the kidneys.
Doan's Kidney Pills are for the kidneys.

Charles Bierbach, stone contractor,
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says: "For two



years I had kidney trouble, and there was such a severe pain through my loins and limbs that I could not stoop or straighten up without great pain, bad difficulty in getting about and was unable to rest at night, arising in the morning tired and worn out. The kidney secretions were irregular and deposited a heavy sediment. Doctors treated me for rheumatism, but failed to help me. I lost all confidence in medicine, but Doan's Kidney Pills relieved me so quickly and so thoroughly that I gladly made a statement to that effect for publication. This was in 1898, and during the six years which have elapsed I have never known Doan's Kidney Pills to fail."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Bierbach will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists; price, 50 cents per box.

FARM MECHANICS.

A Good Set of Tools Should Always be on Hand.

In many of our agricultural colleges instruction is now given in farm mechanics. The use of modern machinery in carrying on farm operations has brought about the necessity of a better knowledge of the principles underlying the use of farm implements and tools. In order that the young man may secure a thorough training in agriculture, fitting him for practical farmwork, it is essential that he should understand farm machinery and the use of tools, hence the farm mechanics course in our agricultural schools.

We have often observed farmers wrestling with some piece of farm machinery and condemning its utility when the fault lay in the operator not understanding the principle by which it worked. A few suggestions given at such a time has often made the implement one of the best ever seen. Study the principles of a new farm implement and understand in the beginning just exactly what it is expected to do.

Then again, there are often many little jobs of carpentry and tinkering on the farm which could easily be done by the farmer if he would only try. In order to do this in the best manner possible, the amateur should provide himself with a good set of tools. Among the tools that should be kept in the workshop on every farm are the following: A brace and set of bits; rip, crosscut and keyhole saws; a steel square; a pair of dividers; a tri-square; at least two kinds of planes, gauge, level, square, oil, stone, drawing knife, a half dozen chisels of different sizes; hand ax; hammers; hatchets and a grindstone. Provide the workshop with a work bench and possibly an anvil. Such an outfit can be bought without any great expenditure of money and its price may be saved many times over during the year. Not only is this saving due to the dollars that it would cost to have the work done by a regular mechanic but in the saving of time required to take the work to the nearest town during a busy season or at a time when the blacksmith or the machinist is rushed with work. The wise farmer should also arrange to have plenty of extras on hand that are likely to be needed at any time. These extras should be put away where they may be found readily.

Soap Grown on Trees.

Soap from the fruit of a tree is one of the new things reported from abroad. The scappery tree is well known in Japan, China and India; the soap plant grows in California, and its bulb, when husked and rubbed upon wet clothing, produces a thick lather; the cleansing properties of soap bark which comes from the western coast of South America are universally known. But this new tree is said to differ from its brethren, in that its product possesses no alkaline qualities. The plant bears a fruit about the size of a horse chestnut, smooth and round. The color varies from a yellowish green to brown. The pulp is of a dark color, and the kernel is oily. A well grown tree yields from fifty to two hundred pounds of fruit in a season, and by the use of water or alcohol, the saponaceous ingredient is extracted. The cost of production is declared to be inconsiderable, and arrangements are being made to manufacture this natural soap on a large scale.

Foot-rot must be attacked by the shepherd in the most determined manner if he ever hopes to cope with the disease successfully. The most important part in the treatment of this scourge is the getting at the seat or foundation of same with the knife and caustics. Every loose or detached piece of hoof should be cut away and any of the caustic preparation recommended in past numbers of this paper applied.

Early Risers
The famous little pills.

LYNCHVILLE.

Theodore, the little son of Melvin Allen who has been so sick with pneumonia is better.

It has been quite sickly this winter and our doctor, C. M. Coolidge is busy both day and night.

John Lord who has been ill is improving. Mrs. Lord is also better.

Leona McKeen has been helping care for the sick at C. P. McKeen's.

Bessie McKeen is at home from Paris.

Carrie Whitney is at Mr. Melvin Allen's.

Henry Plummer was at his home Sunday.

Annie McAlister is driving team for Steve McKeen for a few days.

Nellie Cobb is boarding at her grandmother's.

Mrs. Burnham McKeen is much improved.

Arthur McKeen son of C. P. McKeen, is quite sick.

Mr. and Mrs. McKeen lost their little daughter Marjorie very recently.

Eugene McKeen is at work for Willis McAllister at North Lovell.

Perley Adams worked for H. B. McKeen at West Stoneham last week.

When You Have a Cold.

The first action when you have a cold should be to relieve the lungs. This is best accomplished by the free use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This Remedy liquefies the tough mucus and causes its expulsion from the air cells of the lungs, produces a free expectoration, and opens the secretions. A complete cure soon follows. This Remedy will cure a severe cold in less time than any other treatment and it leaves the system in a natural and healthy condition. It counteracts any tendency towards pneumonia.

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Labor's Outlook for 1905.

With the advent of the new year, therefore, the unions find themselves in a position that may be called serious, but certainly not perilous. The unions as a whole have survived the attacks and defeats of the past year with little or no loss of membership. In fact, it is claimed, upon the basis of the per capita tax of the Federation, that the membership has largely increased. The older and more completely organized unions have more than held their own during the recent depression, and even the newer unions, with their looser organization, have successfully held together despite the attacks of the employers' associations. The attempt to obtain federal legislation shortening the hours of labor upon government contracts and abolishing the use of the injunction in labor disputes met with defeat, but the whole body of unionists has been encouraged by the political successes in Massachusetts and Colorado, and in the coming year, campaign for federal and State legislation favorable to labor will be taken up with renewed vigor.

Upon the whole, the unions have suffered little from their opponents' attacks. Even where they have lost in numbers, they have gained in a sober determination to achieve their ends. Better organized, better financed, better disciplined, taught by the united opposition of associations of employers, the unions will enter the new year stronger than ever, ready to employ more energetically than before the tried policies which have enabled them to bring together in homogeneous groups a majority of the workers in most of the important industries of the country.—Review of Reviews.

Pirating Foley's Honey and Tar.

Foley & Co., Chicago, originated Honey and Tar as a throat and lung remedy, and on account of the great merit and popularity of Foley's Honey and Tar many imitations are offered for the genuine. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered as no other preparation will give the same satisfaction. It is mildly laxative. It contains no opiates and is safest for children and delicate persons.

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PUTTING IMPLEMENTS AWAY.

Proper Care Will Save Much Unnecessary Wear and Tear.

Implementers on the farm, like all other implementers, have a time when there is no use for them. At this time the wear on them is as great as when in use, if they are not properly cared for, and all farmers should be prepared to properly care for them. The expense of preparation is not necessarily great, although it should not be cheap. A shed, plenty large for all the implements should be ready for receiving them. To begin with the tools used first in the year, we have the oats seeder. This should be cleaned out, all dirt and gum scraped off the working parts, so these will not gather dirt during the summer and winter to follow. Then put in the shed where it will be out of the way. Next in use comes the disc harrow. This should have all dirt and stalks cleaned from it, and if necessary the bearings opened and cleaned. This will prevent the bearings from rusting. It can then be put away, without being taken apart, till time to plant corn, when it will be of use. After this is done, it should be cleaned from gum and dirt, and the disc painted or greased to prevent rust. Then take the tongue out so it will not take up so much room. The tongue and doubletree should be put in some dry place to protect them from decay. The spike harrow can be left together until after corn planting, when it should be taken apart and stood up close to the walls of the building. The wooden parts should be put in some dry place. The corn planter must be perfect to do the work put on it, and should therefore be put away with due respect. After the corn is planted the runners should be greased or painted, all dirt and gum carefully cleaned from the working parts, all wooden parts taken off and put in a dry place, and the corn cleaned out of the boxes, as it draws moisture and causes rust. Be careful to put it where no snow or rain will fall on it. The shovels should be taken off of the cultivators and greased or painted. The tongues may be taken out and put in dry places, and the cultivators will take up very little room in your building. The mower and binder, after their service should have all dust and gum cleaned from the working parts. The knotters on the binder can be greased with axle grease; this will keep it from rusting, and this part of the machine will be in working order the first day it is hitched to. The canvas should be taken off and, after being well cleaned, put in some place which is moisture and mouse proof. The reel can be taken down, the tongues out, then the machines can be stored in less space.

In some cases, as on rented farms, says J. O. J., in Indiana Farmer, where the landlords do not furnish a machine shed, the implements may be taken apart and stored in the hayloft. Harrows and such can be put close to the side of the granary, and a rough shed put over them. If landlords would put up good machine sheds on their farms it would be a paying investment to them.

If there is no shed on your farm, build one to-day or at least commence one. Put your implements therein, and the saving in time worry and repairs will be the interest on your investment, and the interest will not be small.

Electrical Protection of Crops. The use of electricity for the protection of crops from insects and worms is one of the latest scientific developments. A field covered by a network of wires can be given a series of electric shocks which destroys not only the insects on the surface of the ground, but the eggs and larvae below. It has been repeatedly demonstrated that by killing insects in the soil the attacks of insects are practically reduced to nothing. The heaviest electric shocks are given in the early spring, when the soil is plowed for the first sowing. The current instantly destroys all the insect life that has been wintered beneath the surface.

Raising Basket Willow. New doors to opportunity are opening to the man who tills the soil. For instance, the growing demand for willow furniture, which has won the approval of fashion of late years, has revived interest in the culture and manufacture of basket willow. The material used for furniture has been supplied from France; but the willow grows so readily in this country that there seems to be no reason why a new industry should not be established here.

An Uncomplaining Worker. Ethically regarded, the bee is one of God's best examples to the genus homo—he is an uncomplaining worker; he contributes more than he demands; he is strictly obedient to bee-law, and is thus a good citizen.

Broom Corn as a Crop. Three acres of broom corn will yield a ton; and this crop always sells readily. It will bring from \$100 to \$150 a ton. Why not plant ten acres?

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Strawberries and Gooseberries. Three acres of strawberries will net \$500, and one acre of gooseberries quite as much.

Some species of wasps take a little honey at times—more particularly when hives are opened—and they annoy the bees; others capture and eat workers, as do also the large ant-like "cow killers" (Mutillidae).

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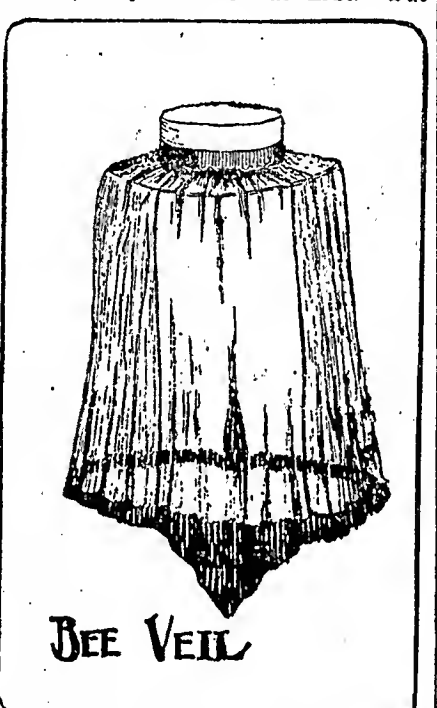


FRUIT GROWERS AND THE BEE.

Little Insects' Great Value Recognized Only When He is Gone.

Bees are a benefit to almost all tillers of the soil, and especially the fruit grower. If it were not for the bees and other insects a great many kinds of fruit would not set. They fly from flower to flower, from tree to tree, and from farm to farm, spreading the pollen and cross-pollinating the different blossoms. And it is a work that man cannot do unaided, but he must depend upon the insect friends for help. Some plants are pollinated by means of the wind and currents of air, but a greater number must depend upon insects. And again some trees and plants will not do their best unless pollen is brought from some other plant or variety. Some varieties of plums will not bear when set alone in blocks, but when other varieties are planted with them an abundance of fruit produced. The honey bee is one of the insects to do such work; in fact, is one of the important things it was created for. Honey bees are like some other things; their value is not known until after they are lost and cannot be had, then it is known after it is too late.

The Veil in Bee Culture. A veil made of black bobinet or Brussels net, to draw over the hat, and a pair of gloves, preferably of rubber, may be used at first. But



whoever has fairly peaceable bees and learns even a little about their ways will soon discard the gloves, unless, indeed, he be exceedingly timid, or one of those to whom a bee sting would be a dreadful affliction. The veil can be safely dispensed with if the gentlest bees are kept.

Lessons From the Bee. The lessons that are to be derived from the bee are of great value to man. One of the first in importance is gained from a study of their industry. Without industry no man can thrive; and what man or child can sit beside the beehive and not have that example of industry woven into their very natures. The bees will teach you how to make hay while the sun shines, and how to store up provision for the dreary winter.

Wax of the Honey Comb. The wax that honeycomb is made of is a secretion of the bee's body, and is produced very much as milk from the cow. Feed your bees honey or sirup from sugar, and your wax will come. It is said that bees consume 20 to 25 pounds of honey to get one pound of wax.

Mechanically, scientifically and industrially, bees are great educators.

The Sunshine of Spring. The Salve that cures without a scar is DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Cuts, Burns, Boils, Bruises and Piles disappear before the use of this salve as snow before the sunshine of spring. Miss H. M. Middleton, Thebes, Ill., says: "I was seriously afflicted with a fever sore that was very painful. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured me in less than a week." Get the genuine. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

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DAIRY AND CREAMERY

MILK DIRECT FROM THE COW.

Pasteurization Seems to be the Superior Method of Handling.

Dr. Geo. V. Shoemaker writing in the Medical Bulletin says that pasteurized milk is not of as great value as good, pure milk right from the cow. He would safeguard cleanliness of the milk supply rather than have it pasteurized. This is very good as far as it goes. The gospel of cleanliness cannot be preached too loud or too long, but how much of the milk passes direct from the cow to the consumer. For the supply of our populous districts and great cities, it must pass through many hands. It has numerous opportunities of coming in contact with life destroying germs before it reaches the breakfast table of the city consumer even though it has escaped all contamination in the farm dairy. To guard against these sources of infection, it would seem that the process of pasteurization was the only safe method.—Dairy Journal.

How the Danes Work.

It is said that the Danes in their dairy work rise at five in the morning. After rising they have breakfast of milk or coffee with bread and butter; then they milk the cows. At nine o'clock they have ordinary breakfast of milk, bread, and butter, meat and cheese. They have two hours' rest from 12 till 2 for dinner, which consists of soup, meat, and pudding of some kind; then the cows are milked again. At four o'clock another meal of coffee, bread, and butter is taken out into the fields to them, and at 7 their work ceases. At half-past seven they have their fourth meal, consisting of barley or oat meal porridge. The wages are about \$80 a year, and when compared to the units of work accomplished with that of our American boys it is said they are not worth it. The Danes work ten and a half hours per day.—Indiana Farmer.

Supervising the Milk Supply.

Rochester, N. Y., is a city of 165,000 inhabitants, spends \$4,000 per year in supervision of its milk supply, and the daily average use of milk in that city amounts to eighty-three one-hundredths pints per capita. In St. Louis, a city of more than 650,000 inhabitants, there is less than \$2,000 per year spent in milk supervision, and the average daily use is thirty-seven one-hundredths pints per capita. So says Prof. R. A. Pearson.

Raising the Value of the Herd.

The most profitable dairy cow throws the calf that in due season will be the most profitable butter producer. The breeder with the milk-tester as his guide, can thus, in his turn, weed out poor or doubtful stock, and concentrate his energies on the good stock. In this way the dairyman will readily be able in a few years to raise the average value of his herd.

Rubbing in Cases of Garget.

Prof. C. L. Willoughby recommends hand rubbing in recent cases of garget, bathing the udder for half an hour at a time with water as hot as the hand can bear. Our mothers used an ointment made of equal parts soft soap and lard, and if the case was very severe they added a tablespoonful of camphor to a teaspoonful of the ointment.

Cooled and Aerated Milk.

The bad odors caused by not aerating or cooling, or absorbed from leaving the milk in the barn or some foul-smelling place, are more detrimental to the souring of the milk. Whenever one has used milk that has been properly cooled and aerated he never will again relish the flavor of that which has been put away without such treatment.

Cheap and Effective Evaporator.

Almost any old, plain building may be converted into an evaporator, with sheds for the fruit and paring machines. This is all that is needed except the bleacher. The building should be about 24x24 feet, and twelve feet to the eaves, for large orchards; for most farmers, 12x12 will be found large enough.

Warm and Clean Poultry Houses.

Make it a point to have warm and clean houses; they should be cleaned at least once a week, twice would be better.

Then sprinkle slacked lime over the roosts or drooping boards. Road dust or coal ashes will answer if you haven't the lime.

A Pure Wholesome Product.

The main requisite for a good demand is to show your customer that you are perfectly clean, and too honorable to sell anything but a good, wholesome product. If this is done there are not many places where the proper demand may not be found.

Importance of Proper Location.

While dairying is not a business in which everyone can succeed, it is only so much better than this fact for those who can. Location plays a great part, as no matter how much or how nice the product, it is only useless labor if the market is lacking.

Imitations of Butter.

Now that oleo, the original yellow peril of the dairy industry, seems to have been downed for good and all, the dairy defenders will be able to concentrate upon the other imitations of fresh butter.

Feed Stuffs for Cows.

It has come to be well understood that nitrogenous foods are absolutely essential for cows, to be of most profit in the dairy.

The First of a Series of Talks on Literature and Reading.

We do not pretend to be literary critics, we never "prided" ourselves on perusing every book within our reach, nor in the number we could get through in any given time. Therefore, what we say for the press concerning literature and reading is not based upon the assumption that we know much about books.

Such ideas as we offer are our convictions on the subject, and are in the spirit of a friendly chat to serve as an impetus to consideration along this line, if they are not worthy to be classed as food for thought.

Ever since the days of Moses men have been writing books; and it would not surprise some of us to learn any day that the Archaeologist had discovered in the secret chambers of some unearched city of the Old World, literature that more evidence of prehistoric origin—long before Moses(?) wrote the Pentateuch.

The multiplication of books is almost overwhelming. To appropriate Lawson's significant term we may now well speak of "frenzied" literature, for both men and women are writing faster than ever; and we sometimes wonder if simply talking—verbally expressing one's self—is so much worse after all. There are books and books, and some are worth the while and some are not. Some are cheap and demoralizing while others are valuable and uplifting. But let it not be supposed that a certain kind of book not valuable for one person is necessarily equally useless for all, unless it is decidedly a bad book.

There are different tastes and temperaments and therefore different needs; so it does not follow that a certain kind of book will necessarily meet the demand or supply the needs of all persons simply because it has satisfied the desires of one or two.

Now, if one's reading is to be of any value to him he must, of course, have some interest in what he reads, otherwise it is useless; and to read simply for the name of it is worse than not reading at all for there are other ways of improving time, and to far greater advantage than a superficial and unintelligible way of getting through a page of literature. If we have no appetite, the food we take can not nourish us as it would if we could thoroughly relish it. If we are not particularly interested we will not open our mind freely; and if we are not in a receptive mood we cannot take in ideas nor enjoy the beauty of expression.

A book may be from a great master, and filled with the grandest thoughts and the noblest sentiments, and yet it will be blank to him who has no regard for it to begin with nor any interest in perusing it. However, if upon beginning to read, we gradually find that our attention is being absorbed, we are realizing the discovery of the first characteristic of a suitable book. This does not mean that this book necessarily has all the other characteristics of suitability simply because it creates interest. But if our motive is good, we shall not long be deluded or be led into the byways of degrading literature. So mere interest is not a sufficient test of proper literature.

In addition to it, a suitable book must have the power of calling the mental faculties into play and into the highest realms of thought.

A good book must surely be composed of the very substance of the author's spiritual being. Here we will find clothed in words and adorned with sentiments the thoughts that flashed through the brain of the author, and the feelings that vibrated in his heart. The very soul of the writer is in his book. So, if when reading this book you find your soul coming into touch with his you may feel sure it is suited to your demands. If you feel yourself drawn towards him, and entering easily into his ideas and sentiments, then you may safely conclude that the author is a kindred spirit, and that so far, his book is fitted to your capacity.

One of the greatest evidences of a worthy teacher (for such are the best authors of books) are the hints

Health of American Women

A Subject Much Discussed at Women's Clubs—The Future of a Country Depends on the Health of Its Women.



Mrs. T. C. Willadsen Miss Mattie Henry

At the New York State Assembly of Mothers, a prominent New York doctor told the 500 women present that healthy American women were so rare as to be almost extinct.

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Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Succeeds Where Others Fail.

of the great ideas that are scattered through his pages, which set one's mind a-working and starts it out upon a voyage of discovery and hence into the realms of truth.

A good book must still have another requisite—a tendency to help you in your everyday duties. After all these are only a means to an end; for the end of life is not to think but to act; not to become highly learned but to be good and noble.

The greatest merit of a book, therefore, is its practical usefulness. So to serve this end of practicableness, it may be a book of clean fiction with the power of diverting your attention from the monotonous routine of daily life or business and allowing your mind to recover its alertness and its purest tone. It may be a work of history showing to you high examples well worthy of your imitation. It may be a poem that will elevate and refine your taste, and store your imagination with beautiful forms. Or, it may be the work of a moral philosopher, inciting you to leave your indolent, or sluggish, or self-indulgent state to live a life of usefulness and to sacrifice self, when that is necessary to meet the requirements of the highest end of earthly existence.

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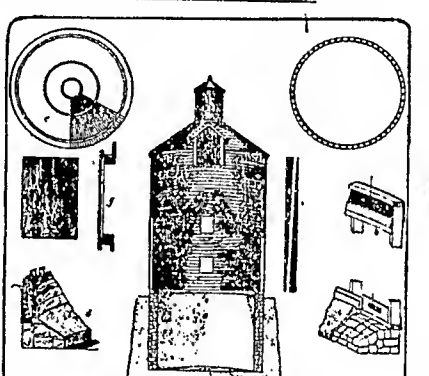
When women are troubled with irregular, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, leucorrhoea, displacement or ulceration of the womb, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation of the ovaries, backache, bloating, (or flatulency), general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone," and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues, and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles. No other medicine in the world has received such unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female troubles. Refuse to buy any other medicine, for you need the best.

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Necessity of Clean Drinking Places. It would be hard to conceive of a more perfect incubator of disease germs than the drinking places some people provide for their poultry.

Nests for setting hens are best on the ground, but where this is not feasible put some clean, moist soil in the bottom of the nests.

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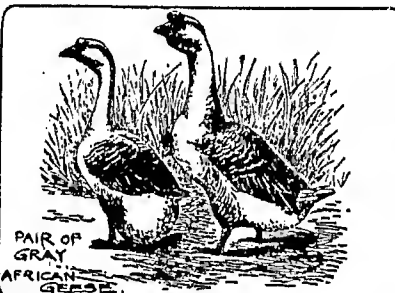
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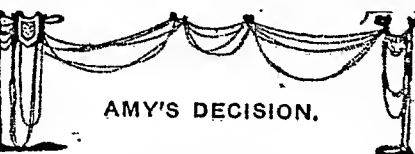
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Mr. A. R. Kane, a prominent druggist of Baxter Springs, Kansas, says: "Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are, in my judgment, the most superior preparation of anything in use to-day for constipation. They are sure in action and with no tendency to nauseate or gripe."

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All the patrons of the Climax restaurant approved of the match—from old Rigby, who had bent over the books of the Consolidated gas company for more years than Amy had lived, to little red-headed Fred Thompson, who was far too young for her to regard him even in the light of a brother.

She was pretty, as sharp-faced city girls go, with hair arranged not in a severe pompadour, but curled sunnily around her delicately tinted face. Her little black waitress' frocks never showed dust nor grease spots, as the other girls' did, and her lawn collar and cuffs were of a finer quality than those generally worn.

Even her spotless white apron was tied in a more coquettish bow at the back, and the bib was caught securely on either shoulder with gold pins.

As for him, well, he was just plain Harry Ogden, lately promoted to the



position of general manager of the Globe clothing emporium, and too much impressed by his new responsibilities to know that his own clothes looked a bit rusty and that he was not eating regularly nor properly.

But in spite of his absent-minded ways and his occasional lapses in dress and manners, Ogden had the clear-cut features and the strong personality which appeal to the practical woman.

Every man who lunched at the Climax had known it was coming since the day Ogden had left some important papers on the table and Amy—her name was Amy Kelley—had slipped them in her pocket.

Immediately "Buttons," who opened and shut the door and checked umbrellas on rainy days, had been relieved for the afternoon she had sent him to the emporium with the papers, thereby saving Ogden a nasty hour's worry.

Not long after that the manager of the Climax restaurant noticed that when there was no room at Amy's table for Ogden, the latter discovered that he needed a shinc or wanted a paper, though he never read the paper after he returned to the coveted table.

And it was equally natural that Amy should take an interest selecting a luncheon for a guest who tipped her so liberally with smiles and pleasant words, which meant more to her than the dimes of other men.

In time she planned his daily menu, telling him when the chicken was better than the fish, or when the cook had executed a piece of resistance.

Then old Rigby met them wandering through the park one lovely Sunday morning, and later, the youthful Fred, indulging in the extravagance of a front-row seat in the gallery, of a house devoted to musical comedy, spied Ogden, attired in irreproachable evening clothes, conducting the pretty waitress down the main aisle of the first floor, where, as the youth explained, "seats sold for two plunks per."

Yet somehow none of the other patrons of the restaurant ever joked Amy about her "man," as Ogden was inelegantly called behind his back. The proprietor had dropped a few hints about "reduced circumstances," "her widowed mother" and other things which silenced uselessly.

So when Amy appeared one noon with a simple, but obviously genuine pearl on her finger (she had strenuously refused a diamond), there was no levity, but many kind wishes tactfully spoken by Amy's "regulars."

The progress of the love affair had been watched with such genuine interest by everyone around the place that when Ogden turned morose and commenced to find fault with his luncheon there were general resentment among both patrons and the other waitresses. The latter said that came of cooing a man.

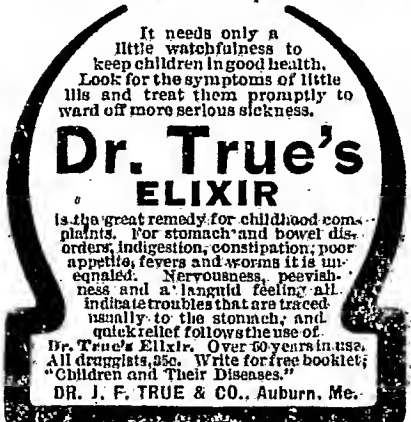
Amy commenced to change his diet. She brought him bread and milk, granham crackers and the various prepared foods landed as sure cures for dyspepsia, for she saw that it was a physical and not a mental condition into which her lover had fallen. But Ogden grew thinner and more pettish as the summer wore on.

One evening as they returned from their usual walk by the river they came close to a serious quarrel, averted only by Amy's self-control and her realization of the condition of the man she loved.

Long after he had left her at the door of her little apartment she sat at the window thinking.

"It's just overwork and worry since

Healthy Children



he's been promoted. I know he is not tired of me, but ill-health can conquer even love itself, so I must fight with other weapons than gentle words and smiles and dimples.

The next morning Ogden turned sharply from his desk to face "Buttons"—he of the Climax door—who proffered a small package addressed in Amy's familiar writing.

For a moment the man's heart beat like a trip-hammer, then seemed to stop. He had been cross the night before, but he had been tired and dizzy and Amy should have understood him too well to cherish his words with resentment—and to return his ring.

He tossed a coin to the waiting boy. "No answer," he said tersely, and tore off the wrappings.

Out on his desk fell a cheap, small iron key, and attached to its handle was a small envelope carrying the inscription, "The key to the situation."

He tore open the flap with eager, trembling hands, and a note in Amy's small, clear writing was spread before him:

"Dear Harry—Don't you think that in leap year a girl should have the right to hurry up her marriage as well as to propose? Well, that is just what I have decided to do. I am not willing to wait until you have your salary raised the first of the year. We can do without a wedding journey. I'm sure I'd rather have a little home right away than a big wedding six months from now. Dear boy, you need a quiet home and home cooking. How soon can we have them—together?"

Harry called a messenger. His answer was written on the back of a business card:

"To-morrow."

And to this day Mr. Ogden, prosperous, content and middle-aged, maintains that his wife is the only woman in the world who ever recognized the difference between lack of affinity and indigestion.

A Long-Forgotten City.

Grenada is the name of the modern city in Boeotia, Greece, which occupies the site of the ancient city of Tanagra. The old town was a rich and luxurious place, greatly renowned for the cock fights that were given there. It had the honor of being the birthplace of Corinna, the great poetess of the fifth century before Christ, and perpetuated her memory by a majestic tomb, on which she was represented five times crowned, in remembrance of the five victories which she had gained in the lyrical contests with Pindar. Despite this comparative celebrity it appeared destined to the eternal sleep of forgetfulness, when, after more than twenty-two centuries of silence, chance drew to it the attention of archaeologists.

In 1870 the inhabitants of the neighboring villages, while digging in their fields, exposed to view some tombs which the French have assigned to the nineteenth century before the Christian era. The discovery of these first sepulchers was the cause of excavations, during which a quantity of other tombs were discovered, all situated along the roads which led from the walls of Tanagra in the direction of Thebes, Chalcis, Harnia and Plataea.

Among this mass of tombs, belonging to several centuries, the most interesting attaches to those of the fourth century before the Christian era, on account of their contents. It was in these particularly that the statuettes known to-day under the name of "Tanagra figurines" were for the most part discovered.

A Japanese Military Rule.

Japanese military authorities are not troubled by disgruntled privates writing home about ill-treatment, bad food and uncomfortable beds. The Japanese soldier is allowed to send nothing home in the way of mail but a card containing no information save that he is well. He is not allowed to tell where he is. Instead of writing with a pen or pencil he affixes his name to the card with a stamp. The cards are then taken back to Japan in large packages and put into the mail there so that a card on reaching its destination contains no postmark to inform the folks at home of the writer's whereabouts.

Massive Jewels of Tibet.

Tibetans, like all peoples of a low civilization, delight in showy and massive jewels. A man is only poorly adorned with a heavy silver earring, coral-mounted. The women wear regular jewelers' shops on their heads. Among the nomads their hair, arranged in innumerable small tresses that involve more than a whole day's work, is decorated with three great bands of woolen stuff or red silk strewn with rubies, shells, artificial pearls, corals, turquoises, amber beads, red agate, gold, silver or copper reliquaries.

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Mortgage Loans, 723,485

Stocks and Bonds, 1,608,000

Cash in Office and Bank, 16,000

Bills Receivable, 300,000

Interest and Rents, 13,000

All other Assets, 89,000

Gross Assets, \$2,759,000

Deduct Items not Admitted, \$1,759,000

Admitted Assets, \$1,000,000

Liabilities December 31, 1904.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 130,000

Unearned Premiums, 1,825,000

All other Liabilities, 116,000

Cash Capital, 500,000

Surplus over all Liabilities, 700,000

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,759,000

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The American Fire Insurance Company

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Assets December 31, 1904.

Real Estate, \$ 856,210

Mortgage Loans, 723,485

Collateral Loans, 1,450,000

Stocks and Bonds, 1,378,000

Cash in Office and Bank, 131,350

Agents' Balances, 214,600

Interest and Rents, 15,000

All other Assets, 18,000

Gross Assets, 2,888,795

Admitted Assets, 2,888,795

Liabilities December 31, 1904.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 183,500

Unearned Premiums, 1,982,500

All other Liabilities, 116,000

Cash Capital, 500,000

Surplus over all Liabilities, 222,875

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Assets Dec. 31, 1904.

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Mortgage Loans, 696,794

Collateral Loans, 4,800

Stocks and Bonds, 10,780,799

Cash in Office and Bank, 867,426

Agents' Balances, 1,210,835

Interest and Rents, 11,021

All other Assets, 41,168

Gross Assets, \$14,510,238

Deduct items not admitted, 1,